



The Las Palmian

of

Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge #366, F&AM



August 1993

From the East

Dear Brethren,

Our Masonic Zoo and Picnic day has past and I want to thank all of the Brothers and their families who made this event a success. I especially want to thank Brother Ken Dewey of Fresno Lodge for his tireless efforts in making this event happen. It shows how powerful Masonry can be when we all unite for the benefit of the Craft, and come together as Masons rather than members of individual Lodges.

Earlier this year, one of our Past Masters came to me and commented on the problems he was having trying to make sure his mothers financial affairs were in order. He noted that he was not aware of all of the complicated legal pitfalls involved and suggested we put on a program for our members. On August 12th there will be a special meeting and dinner covering this subject. I have arranged for a financial planner and probate attorney to speak on these subjects. I hope you will all attend and use this opportunity to answer your questions and find out about current laws for yourselves or your parents. Please call the Lodge Secretary for reservations.

I again want to thank all of the Brothers who have come forward and helped so much on our various projects. I often find there are not enough hours in the day to call everyone and ask for their help personally, so I really appreciate it when a Brother comes forward to volunteer. There are so many worthwhile projects we could be involved in, helping make our community a better place to live, but these require volunteer help. If you have just a few hours to spare each month please call myself or the Lodge Secretary and we will put you to work.

Thought for the Month: Masonry is like a beautiful song, you can know the words but without the music you only have a speech. Brotherhood is the music which makes the words a song. Please come join us.

Fraternally from the East.
Randy Forrester
Master



From the West

Brethren,

Even though we are dark the Lodge is still functioning. If you didn't attend the Zoo Day put on by all the lodges as a combined effort, you missed the best event of the year. The food was fantastic, and the fellowship was tremendous.

For one of the first times the fraternity went public with great response. Over 2000 children entered the zoo due to your efforts. As "acting master" for the day, I would like to thank all the brothers for helping out and the other members of the other lodges for doing an excellent job putting Masonic bodies best foot forward. I hope these events will continue through the year.

Frank Gomes, John Higgins, and Randy Forrester (the Masters of the lodges) put together a real class event. The youth orders were well represented. Everybody enjoyed the Volley Ball games and the water fights at the end (I especially enjoyed the 5 gallon bucket of ice water over my head). Together, if all the lodges work for one goal, it proves that an event of this nature can be done and nothing is too big or too great to get done.

Thank you everybody
Tip Banks
Senior Warden



From the Secretary

The year is half over and there are a large number of brothers who have not paid their 1993 dues. Each of us know that, it is our Masonic duty to belong to a lodge and pay our dues on or before the first day of the year. If you are unable to pay your dues, let the secretary or master know. It is not the intention of this or any lodge to suspend a brother. At times there is no choice but to suspend, because the reasons for not paying your dues are unknown to the lodge. Do not become a suspended mason. As previously stated, it is inexcusable to be suspended for non-payment of dues. Let someone know.

Fraternally,
Secretary

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurs., Aug. 5 Dark

Thurs., Aug. 12 6:30 Dinner
 7:30 Program on Estate
 Planning and Probate

Thurs., Aug. 19 7:30 Stated Meeting
 No Dinner,
 Desert following
 meeting

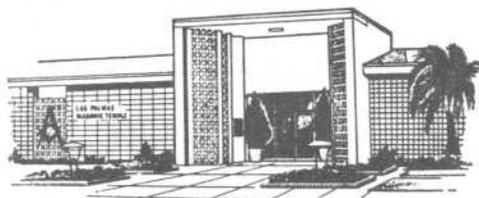
Thurs., Aug. 26 7:30 Officer Practice, 3rd
 degree advanced
 stations

Thurs., Sept. 2 7:30 Dark, Officers School
 of Instruction,
 Clovis Lodge

Thurs., Sept. 7 7:30 2nd Degrees

Sat., Sept. 18 6:00 Grand Master's
 Reception
 Hosted by the 293rd
 Masonic Officers
 Association

Sat., Sept. 24 Dinner, honoring
 District Inspectors
 All Lodge officers
 invited



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